

# CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BIG YEAR

## Morgan's Report Of A Year's Work

James F. Morgan was re-elected president, J. P. Cooke vice-president, and H. P. Wood secretary of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon and trustees as follows: F. M. Swanzy, E. D. Tenney, W. Potenhauer, Richard Ivers, E. F. Bishop, J. A. Kennedy, A. W. T. Bottomley, E. I. Spalding, C. H. Cooke, L. T. Peck, E. E. Paxton and Jas. D. Dole.

The annual meeting of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce convened at 3 p. m. today.

Present were James F. Morgan, president; H. P. Wood, secretary; W. A. Bowen, Geo. P. Tenney, Emil A. Berndt, Fred. L. Waldron, S. H. De Freest, E. D. Tenney, E. E. Paxton, J. A. Kennedy, Thomas E. Wall, S. G. Wilder, John Waterhouse, Jared G. Smith, W. Lanz, C. H. Atherton, W. Potenhauer, A. W. T. Bottomley, L. Tenney Peck, E. I. Spalding, W. R. Castle, F. W. Macfarlane, J. R. Galt, R. W. Shingle, W. F. Dillingham, W. W. Hall, M. Phillips, F. M. Swanzy, Willard E. Brown, W. L. O'Her, F. J. Lowrey.

President Morgan, after opening business, read the following annual report:

**PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT.**  
To the Members of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce.

Gentlemen:—It affords me much pleasure to be able to present herewith, my annual report and to know that arrangements have been completed whereby it will appear with other matter of interest, in printed form, and I trust that this, the first annual publication, to be issued by the Chamber, may be but the beginning of an uninterrupted series which will increase in value from year to year. It should be our endeavor to make the annual of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce a publication of such merit that it will be looked upon as an authority on island matters and find a welcome in the library of every commercial organization throughout the world.

It is pleasing to note by the Secretary's report that the membership of the Chamber has shown a healthy increase during the year. All of the Territory's leading interests are now well represented and find in the Chamber an excellent medium for exploiting the best interests of the islands, systematically and effectively.

As to the work of the Chamber during the past year, I will refer to matters of more or less importance in the order of their occurrence.

**COASTWISE SHIPPING LAWS.**  
Upon becoming a Territory, it of course followed that the shipping laws of the United States were applied to Hawaii, which means that passengers or freight cannot be carried between Honolulu and San Francisco or any other American port, except in vessels flying our flag. It was felt by many that being over 2000 miles from the mainland, Hawaii ought not to be subject to this construction of the law and an effort was made by the Board



of Trustees to secure the passage of a bill by Congress, exempting the islands from the ruling for a period of years until at least there were enough vessels flying the American flag plying on the Pacific to readily and at all times care for the passenger traffic between Hawaii and the mainland. This bill will be again brought up for consideration at the next session of Congress.

### PEARL HARBOR.

Perhaps the most important piece of work undertaken during the year by the Chamber was its effort to bring about the early improvement of Pearl Harbor.

On October 30th, 1907, I called a meeting of the trustees for the purpose of considering the advisability of sending a special representative to Washington to forward Pearl Harbor legislation; the plan met with the approval of the Board and a special committee was at once appointed to investigate and report upon the matter. The members of the committee quickly decided in favor of the plan and were successful in securing subscriptions in an amount sufficient to meet the probable cost. At their request, Mr. H. P. Wood, the Secretary of the Chamber, was selected as our representative and left for Washington, November 22nd, 1907.

Shortly after his arrival there, I enabled Mr. Wood to secure the opinion of the Chief of Engineers as to the desirability of making certain borings, as a means of securing reliable information as to character and hardness of formation, in order to enable a

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### THE NEMO SYSTEM.

The Nemo system of self-reducing corsets will build up a slim figure or reduce a stout one. See them at Sachs'.

### A STUBBORN DISEASE.

Rheumatism is considered by the medical men to be the hardest disease there is to control, but Chamberlain's Pain Balm has remarkable power over it. One application will give relief. For sale by all Dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., Agents for Hawaii.



When the Fleet Reaches Australia and New Zealand.  
Uncle Sam—You are two of the nicest girls I've ever met.

## LEPER SETTLEMENT WILL GET MOVING PICTURES

The lepers are to have their moving picture apparatus. This is assured by the response today to The Star's appeal of last night for subscriptions to provide the Leper Settlement with a moving picture apparatus. Early this morning James F. Morgan, President of the Chamber of Commerce, sent \$10 to The Star office as a starter. Soon afterwards Castle & Cooke sent \$25 and a citizen who did not wish his name published gave \$10.

By this time a petition had been started in circulation, for signatures for subscriptions, and the voluntary subscriptions so far quickly forthcoming naturally ceased. The public generally fell into line with the suggestion that public generosity should give the settlement a picture machine, which the lepers are trying hard to get, and the lepers will soon be enjoying the pleasures of such a machine.

A Bulletin canvasser circulated a subscription list and obtained the following subscriptions:  
Bulletin Pub. Co., \$10; Alexander & Baldwin, \$25; Hackfeld & Co., \$25; F. B. Harvey, \$5; Wm. G. Irwin & Co., \$25; Hon. Photo-Supply Co., \$10; Lewis & Cooke, Ltd., \$25; J. Hopp & Co., \$5; Lewis & Co., Ltd., \$25; M. P. Robinson, \$50; Z. K. Myers, \$2; W. C. Peacock & Co., Ltd., \$10; M. McInerney, \$5; Willard E. Brown, \$5; Thompson & Clemons, \$10; B. F. Ehlers & Co., \$5; Bergstrom Music Co., Ltd., \$3; total, \$270.

## MR. BRUNER IS LEAVING

THE WELL-KNOWN COFFEE PLANTER TAKING HIS FAMILY AWAY FROM THE ISLANDS.

W. W. Bruner with his family will leave in the Alameda next Wednesday for the mainland. For the present he intends his absence to be temporary but may make it permanent. Mr. Bruner was for some years the road engineer of the government, laying out many of the principal highways in the islands. In more recent years he has been best known as one of the pioneers in advanced coffee growing. The coffee of his raising has done much to create a demand for Hawaiian coffee on the mainland. Upon the sale of his coffee interests in Kona to James H. Castle recently he retired from the business. Mr. Bruner is a citizen that Hawaii can ill afford to lose.

German ship Alexander Isenberg, 153 days from Hamburg, with a general cargo to H. Hackfeld & Co., arrived this morning, her master stating that he encountered head winds most of the way and was twenty-five days going from "fifty to fifty." He sighted nothing.

**RIGHT COMBINATION.**  
In the Combination lunches at the Young Cafe, there is the right combination of price and quality.

Best cup of coffee in the city at New England Bakery.

**THE SOLE AGENCY.**  
Through his agents in Japan, K. Yamamoto, wholesale merchant, secured the sole agency for Tengu Brand Japanese Rice. The sale of this well known brand is daily increasing. Phone 399, Hotel street near Nuuanu.

The Sewall was reinsured when the Astral was not.

The Astral will probably be heard from in a week or so. One hundred and fifty days from Honolulu around the Horn to the eastern coast of the United States is not an unusual voyage, but insurers are probably panicky over recent numerous losses of sailing craft around the Horn.

## CRUISERS ARE ASSEMBLING

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

SAN FRANCISCO, August 19.—The cruisers of the Pacific fleet are assembling here for their trip to Samoa via Honolulu. The colliers Justin, Captain Meriweather, and Saturn, Captain Newell, sailed this morning for Honolulu, carrying coal and supplies.

### BIG FLEET IS NOW AT SYDNEY.

SYDNEY, New South Wales, August 20.—The American battleship fleet was sighted off Sydney Heads this (Thursday) morning at six o'clock.

### AMERICAN REBEL IS CAUGHT.

PUERTO CORTEZ, August 19.—General Ortiz, the insurgent commander and Col. Cannon, an American, have been captured by the Government troops and in all probability both will be shot.

### CORONADO MAKES PORT WITH LEAK.

SANTA CRUZ, California, August 19.—The barkentine Coronado Captain Potter put in here this morning, leaking badly.

The iron barkentine Coronado sailed from this port for San Francisco on July 7. She was forty-two days out, but while it was considered she was making a long voyage no anxiety concerning her had been expressed on the waterfront. Captain Potter not long ago laid off a trip or so on account of his health, but he was back on deck again as soon as he could get there. She must have experienced a most serious time inasmuch as she is iron and was leaking badly, according to the cable. She was probably strained in heavy weather.

NEW YORK, August 19.—Julian D. Hayne, who is charged with the larceny of \$11,000 from an agent of the Nicaraguan government, and is under arrest here, is now on trial and has put in the defense of insanity.

Hayne is well known here, having been here on two occasions and once being the publisher of a royalist magazine. He was also known at Hallen.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., August 19.—Governor John A. Johnson was renominated for Governor of this state at the Democratic Convention held here today.

WIGAN, England, August 19.—Seventy coal miners here have perished as the result of an explosion.

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, August 19.—Several Japanese spies have been arrested at Slavinski. When they were captured plans of the fortifications were found on their persons.

## WHO EATS ALL THE OLEOMARGARINE?

It will probably come as a surprise to the majority of the people in this Territory to find that 90,000 pounds of oleomargarine was sold in this group of islands in the past fiscal year. Seven wholesale dealers pay the Internal Revenue special tax of \$200 per year for the privilege of dealing in the imitation butter and there are twelve retail dealers who pay the smaller tax of \$6 for the privilege.

All the oleomargarine which comes here now is uncolored, the passage of the Pure Food law bringing about this effect. Before that time a large part of this product was colored to resemble butter and then the wholesaler had to pay \$480 per year and the retailers ten per cent of that amount. The United States through its internal revenue department charges a tax of ten cents per pound on all oleo and also on all adulterated butter, so it will be seen that the oleo brought here yields something over \$10,500 to Uncle Sam. The tax, however, is not paid here but in

Chicago or Omaha, where it is made from the animal fats which cannot be sold for other purposes by the packing houses.

The amount of oleo used in the United States reaches a tremendous figure, the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue showing that in the past fiscal year 499,956,570 pounds were produced. This is, however, a decrease of over 15,000,000 pounds from the production of 1907.

In this city the oleo is used almost entirely by the Chinese, Japanese and Hawaiians. They are able to purchase it for about two-thirds of what butter would cost and the cheaper restaurants of the city rarely serve anything else to their customers. At that it is certain that it is by no means bad when compared with the cheaper grades of butter which are sometimes on the market.

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FOOTWEAR**

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All the latest styles and shapes in the greatest variety.

We have your size in whatever shoe you happen to prefer.

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Keep your valuable papers and jewelry where they will be safe.

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Bargains like we are given in every department have never been known before in Honolulu.

The sale will continue until the Entire Stock is cleaned up.

**L.B.Kerr & Co., Ltd**

HONOLULU DEPARTMENT STORE.

## ASTRAL FAVORED AS AGAINST A SEWALL

There is something strange in the case time and that the Astral was race of the ships Atlas, Edward Sewall and Astral from these islands to would indicate, apparently, that here the Atlantic coast in that, early this month, when the Edward Sewall was not more than four months out, she was reinsured at eight per cent, while there is no reinsurance on the Astral which has not yet arrived.

It will be remembered that the Atlas won the race and the Edward Sewall reached Delaware Breakwater on August. On that day she was eight per cent reinsured, although she had not made what is considered a long voyage.

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